TRIPLER GENERAL HOSPITAL

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Welcome Navy! Glad To Have You Aboard! Naval Medical Unit Activated At Tripler

Big Tripler Outing To Mark Hospital Organization Day

Tripler General Hospital will celebrate its first annual Organization Day on Wednesday, 11 May, with a huge beach party arranged for the Detachment Medical Department at Waianae Beach. The party, which will include lunch and refreshments and will be for all military members of the command, will be followed by a dance and floor show at the Enlisted Men's Club at the hospital.

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Duty for all military personnel except those required for necessary fatigue, guard and care of the sick will be suspended for the day, which marks the anniversary of the general order issued by USARPAC authorizing the organization of Tripler General Hospital.

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Transportation for the beach party will leave the DMD area at0900 on 11 May. Dinner will be served at 1300. Sports, games and contests will feature the day's activities, with return transportation leaving Waianae at 1600. The dance and floor show will start at 2000 and end at 2300 hours.

Lt. General Aurand Sends Organization Day Greetings

On the imminence of Tripler's first Organization Day anniversary on 11 May, Lt. Gen. H. S. Aurand, Commanding General, USARPAC, sent the following letter to Col. H. H. Twitchell, commanding officer at Tripler:

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"I wish to extend to you and the personnel of your command heartiest congratulations on the first anniversary of the organization of Tripler General Hospital.

"You may well be proud of the accomplishments of Tripler General Hospital since its activation on 11 May 1948, and I feel it only fitting to express at this time sincere appreciation for the splendid cooperation which this headquarters has received from your organization.

"It is with considerable pleasure that the officers and men of the entire command send their best wishes for continued success throughout the coming years."

WELCOME ABOARD—Capt. Gordon B. Tayloe, MC, USN (left) the Medical Officer in charge US Naval Medical Unit at Tripler General Hospital, gets a warm greeting from Col. H. H. Twitchell, commanding officer of Tripler, as the Navy medical unit moves into the hospital. (TGH Photo.)

Commanders Send Greetings

From the Commander Hawaiian Sea Frontier, and Commandant 14th Naval District

With the establishment of a Naval Medical Unit at the Tripler General Hospital another forward step has been taken in the unification program of the Armed Services in Hawaii.

On behalf of Naval personnel and their dependents of the Hawaiian Sea Frontier and the Fourteenth Naval District, may I express our pride and gratification in being able to share the outstanding facilities of the Tripler General Hospital.

Under the joint operation of the Medical Corps of the Army, Navy and Air Force, Tripler Hospital, one of the most complete and modern medical institutions in the world, will, I am sure, continue to maintain its well-established and enviable reputation of providing the finest in medical care to all who are in need of its services.

C. H. McMORRIS
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy

From the Commanding General, United States Army, Pacific

Consolidation of the medical services of the Armed Forces in Hawaii, now consummated by participation of the United States Navy in the operation of Tripler General Hospital, is a significantly important step in further solidifying the structure of an already unified command in the Pacific. I am certain that this move will result in a definite saving of dollars and at the same time contribute to a most efficient medical service.

On this occasion I wish to extend most cordial greetings to the medical personnel of the United States Navy who now join the Army and Air Force in operating this great medical center. The high traditions and professional skill of the Naval medical service will now be added to those of the sister services in Hawaii to attain even greater accomplishments.

It is gratifying to be a member of a command so successfully unified and to have some part in its furtherance.

H. S. AURAND
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army

Hospital Gives Big Hand To Newly Joined Shipmates

Glad to have you aboard!

This greeting was heard throughout Tripler General Hospital during the week as the first main contingents of personnel and patients from the Aiea Naval Hospital began arriving at Tripler.

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But the hospital had already become well acquainted with members of the Navy advance party who came aboard on 22 April to prepare the way for the commencement of the main move.

This group, led by Capt. Gordon B. Tayloe, MC, USN, Medical Officer in charge of US Naval Medical Unit, Tripler General Hospital, has been engaged in smoothing out the details incident to the transfer from Aiea.

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The advance party included, in addition to Capt. Tayloe: Lt. (jg) William E. Kelly, MSC, USN, Lt. (jg.) James H. Littlejohn, MSC,

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Capt. Tayloe Heads Tripler Hospital Navy Medical Unit

Capt. Gordon B. Tayloe, MC, USN, first Navy Medical Officer in Charge of the U. S. Naval Unit at Tripler, has a distinguished career both in peace and in war.

Much of his service in World War II was spent in the Far East, where he was senior medical officer on the staff of the commander of the U. S. Navy Group, China, from Sept. 28, 1943, to June 6, 1945. During this time he served with the Chinese guerrillas in Central and Eastern China.

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Capt. Tayloe organized and operated the Medical Department for the Navy Group in China, including 24 small medical dispensaries and three mobile field hospitals,

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Special Edition

This special edition of The Caducean was published as a welcome and an aid to the newly arrived personnel and patients of the Naval Services. We hope you all like it.

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Col. H. H. Twitchell, MC, Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. James T. McGibony, MC, Executive Officer

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To All Hands!

From the Medical Officer in Charge, U. S. Naval Medical Unit, T.G.H.

With keen appreciation and profound gratitude I acknowedge the warm welcome extended to the members of the Navy Medical Department upon the exigence of joining the staff of Tripler General Hospital.

On behalf of the Naval Medical Personnel in unison, we subscribe our wholehearted support and cooperation in helping to make this a truly unified medical operation. We come to work with you and be one of you.

GORDON B. TAYLOE
Captain, MC, U. S. Navy

From the Commanding Officer, Tripler General Hospital

Upon the arrival of members of the Navy Medical Unit at Tripler General Hospital, it is my privilege to extend a warm welcome to officer and enlisted personnel of the Naval Staff.

To you and to the patients who will follow you, I pledge the wholehearted cooperation of every member of the Tripler staff in making your stay a pleasant one.

We are proud of what we have accomplished at Tripler and now, with the arrival of staff and patients from the Navy, we present a truly unified medical operation at this hospital.

We are glad to have you aboard.

H. H. TWITCHELL
Colonel, MC, U. S. Army

TGH Mess Information

LOCATION:

1. Duty Officers' Mess, Patient Officers' Mess, Female Patients' Mess: B-1 Level, A Unit, Main Hospital; entrance obtained through C Unit side of Main Kitchen.
2. Male Patients' Mess, Special Diet Mess: B-1 Level, A Unit, Main Hospital; entrance obtained through B Unit side of Main Kitchen.
3. Detachment Mess: Building adjacent to Detachment Barracks.

MESSING HOURS

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	Breakfast	Dinner	Supper
Duty Officers	0615-0745	1130-1245	1630-1745
Officer Patients	0700-0745	1130-1215	1630-1745
Female Patients	0700-0745	1130-1215	1630-1745
Male Patients	0700-0745	1145-1215	1645-1715
Special Diets	0700-0730	1145-1215	1645-1715
Detachment Mess	0615-0745	1100-1230	1600-1730
Carts to Wards	0630	1115	1620
Civilian Hospital and Ward Attendants	0700-0730	1215-1300	1715-1800

UNIFORM

1. Duty Officers: Uniform of the day during duty hours. Civilian Clothes with coat and tie.
2. Female Officers: Uniform during duty hours; Civilian Clothes during off duty hours.
3. Patient Officers: Uniform of the day, Civilian clothes w/coat and tie.
4. Female Patients: Civilian Clothes; no hospital Clothes.
5. All male EM and Civilian Patients: In pajamas **with robe** or Convalescent Uniform.
6. Duty EM: Duty uniform.

PROCEDURE FOR SPECIAL DIETS DINING HALL SERVICE: See Memorandum No. 13, 1 Aug 48, this hospital.

SERVING LINE ROUTINE FOR FOOD CARTS: See Memorandum No. 12, 1 Aug 48, this hospital.

POLICY ON GUESTS:

1. Patients: no guests allowed.
2. Officers' Mess: Restricted to duty personnel only.

SUBSISTENCE FOR OFFICER DUTY PERSONNEL: See Memorandum No. 43, 23 Nov 48, this hospital.

A NURSE'S WELCOME—Lt. Col. Ruth E. Parsons (left) chief nurse at Tripler, welcomes Lt. Virginia Sprouse, Nurse Corps, USN, upon the arrival of the Navy nurses at Tripler following their transfer from Aiea Naval Hospital. Lt. Sprouse who is the senior Navy nurse to come aboard, hails from Centralia, Ill. (TGH Photo.)

NAVY NURSES CAPTURE TRIPLER—One of the notable events connected with the movement of Navy hospital activities to Tripler, was the arrival of the above group of Navy nurses to join the Tripler Naval Medical Unit. They are (front row: left to right) Lt. Nettie Odneer, Lt. Virginia Sprouse, Lt. (jg) Gertrude Flanagan, Lt. (jg) Edith E. Bouchard, Lt. Marie M. Schroeder, Lt. (jg) Velma I. Carmack and Lt. Frances L. Bennett; (rear row: left to right) Lt. Hope S. Mittlestadt, Lt. Mary E. Morrison, Lt. Irene G. Cook and Lt. Bertha N. Pinney. (TGH Photo.)

Chapel Serves All Faiths At Tripler

Ahoy, Mate, have you found the chapel yet?

It's on Deck One, aft of the main building, in Ward 33. That's the D Unit, and is reached by ramp from the main building.

An attractive chapel has been set up in this ward, serving the needs of the various religious groups. In this special issue of **The Caducean,** as in all regular issues, is the full schedule of religious services.

The hospital chaplains have their offices in the same area as the chapel. They welcome your visits and desire to serve you in any way they can. Assisting the chaplains with their office work are Miss Antoinette Lagorrio, secretary and receptionist, and Cpl. Patrick J. McGrath, chaplain's assistant.

The chapel is never closed, and you are invited to drop in for a visit to "rest and pray" at any time of the day or evening.

HOSPITAL CHAPEL
(Ward 33)—Unit D—1st Floor)

Protestant Services
Sunday Morning Worship 1000

Catholic Services
Sunday Mass 0600 and 0900
Daily Mass 0715

Jewish Services
Friday evenings at 8 p.m. at the JWB Servicemen's Center Chapel, 1732 So. Beretania St.

Jewish Religious Services are held in the Hospital Chapel on Monday evenings at 1900. A Social Hour and refreshments follow.

Protestant Chaplains
L. Lane McCammon, Post Chaplain. Room 143.
Robert B. Mathis. Room 140.

Catholic Chaplain
Thomas A. Bartley. Room 142.
Temp. telephone for all Chaplains: 13187.

Jewish Rabbi
Rabbi E. Kumin, Jewish Welfare Bd., 1732 S. Beretania.
Tel.: Hon. 94094.

Info Desk Gives A Helping Hand

Greetings Shipmates! The Information Unit, in the main lobby of Tripler General Hospital, is at your service 24 hours a day. An information clerk is always on duty at the information desk to answer your questions. To telephone the desk, night or day, just dial 13205 or 12228. If we can't supply you with the information which you desire, we'll be glad to steer you to the proper place to get "the word."

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Primarily, our function is the reception and guidance of persons who wish to visit patients. Visiting hours on all Open Wards are daily from 1400 to 1600, and from 1830 to 2030. Whenever you have friends who plan to visit a patient here at Tripler, we suggest that you advise them to call the Information Desk before coming to the hospital. We will be glad to give them the day or days and the hours during which the individual patient concerned may have visitors. A quick call to the desk takes only a moment and it will, in some cases, save your friends the disappointment of coming to the hospital at a time when the patient cannot have visitors.

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And again, while our primary function is as stated above, we also have a small knowledge of many other phases of the operation of Tripler, so if you are in need of help and don't know who to call, call us and we'll help you all we can.

Capt. Tayloe Heads Navy Medical Unit

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the majority of which operated behind the Japanese lines. He provided medical care for both American and Chinese guerrilla troops in many disease-ridden areas behind the enemy lines.

The Navy captain, who is a native of Aulander, N. C., began his naval medical career when he enlisted in the Navy's Hospital Corps during the First World War on April 9, 1917. Following the war he went to Wake Forest College in North Carolina, receiving his B.A. degree in 1923. In 1927 he received his M.D. degree from the University of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore.

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Upon receiving his M.D. degree he was immediately commissioned in the Medical Corps of the Regular Navy and has served in that corps ever since. He has had duty in the US Naval Hospitals at Norfolk, Va.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bethesda, Md.; Guam and Philadelphia, Pa. He was Chief of Medical Service at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital, where he was selected for duty with the Sino-American Cooperative Organization in the interior of China.

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Capt. Tayloe has received postgraduate instruction at the US Naval Medical School, The Mayo Clinic and Mayo Foundation, and the George Washington University. He is a member of the Phi Chi Medical fraternity, and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians. For his service in China he was awarded the Legion of Merit with the Combat Distinguished Device (V) by the President of the U. S. and the Cravate Blue of the Order of "Yun Hwei" (Cloud and Banner) by the President of the Republic of China.

He comes to Tripler from the post of executive officer at the US Naval Hospital at Aiea Heights, where he lives with his wife, Mrs. Vivian W. Tayloe, and their two sons, Hinton Lee Tayloe and Gordon Bennett Tayloe, Jr.

FIRST NAVY BABY—Pamela Jeanne Dixon shown above with her mother, Mrs. Vernon G. Dixon of 331 North Drive, Naval Housing Area 2, is the first Navy baby born at Tripler. Miss Pamela who weighed 6 pounds ¼ ounce at birth, arrived at 2025 on Lei Day, 1 May. Her father is T/Sgt Dixon of the US Marine Corps, and is stationed at Pearl Harbor. (TGH Photo.)

Channel One

By GEORGE MASON

"This is the Bedside Network—Channel One, KTGH, Tripler General Hospital."

Those will become familiar words to the men of the Navy . . . and all new residents of TGH.

Operating 14 hours a day, seven days a week, KTGH is affiliated with the Armed Forces Radio Service, which supplies about 30 hours of programs weekly. That leaves 68 hours a week produced by KTGH locally. Of this time, 20 hours each week are devoted to request programs. The dinner music program, "Strictly Music," takes up another 14 hours weekly, leaving 34 hours of assorted program material designed by the KTGH staff.

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And what is this other program material? For one thing, sports programs on Channel One consume at least four hours a week. The Sunday night wrestling matches from Civic Auditorium are carried the morning following the event at 9:15. KTGH sportsmaster Al Slate describes the matches. And each afternoon at 1:45 it's sports time on Channel One.

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Mimeographed program schedules are issued each week—one to a patient. We regret that it is impractical to also print the program schedule for the other three channels, but such is the case. We attempt to carry commercial programs of the widest general appeal on those channels.

KTGH carries two remote-control broadcasts each week, one from the Royal Hawaiian Hotel and the other from Lau Yee Chai in Waikiki. A thrifty way of exchanging the confinement of hospital life for the glamor of night life. These two 15-minute programs are handled by Bill Ashley of the KTGH staff.

News is also a regular feature of the hospital station. Four five-minute newscasts are brought to you each day on Channel One.

To keep your bedside radio in operation your help is necessary. Those plastic pillow speakers aren't as rugged as they appear. They're fragile instruments. Dropping them on the floor—or playing catch with 'em — is a sure way to deprive yourself of radio listening. They break easily and are not as easily replaced. The pull-string, by which you may select any of the four channels, is also delicate. Pulling gently and straight out will insure longer life for the pull-string. If the quality of your speaker seems a little brittle, it may be improved by placing it under the pillow slip or putting a handkerchief over the speaker. Cloth definitely improves the quality.

Welcome aboard . . . and good listening!

On Channel One, of course.

Tripler Welcomes Navy Medical Unit

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USN, Lt. Laura V. Sprouse, NC, USN, Chief Hospital Corpsmen James E. Climer, Tracy E. Gogley, Franklyn D. Gray and Walter E. Quaintance, Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Albert W. Fuhlendorf, Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Daniel P. McKown, and Hospitalmen Kenneth T. Pereira, Francis A. Kong, Lawrence E. Miller and George F. Stangrever.

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The advance party was followed on 2 May by a second group, including:

Lt. Francis G. Geer, MC, Lt. (jg) Warren L. Jones, MCR, Lt. (jg) Norman A. Parrot, MCR, Lt. (jg) Charles C. Strong, MCR, Lt. Marie M. Schroeder, NC, Lt. Bertha N. Pinney, NC, Lt. Hope S. Mittlestadt, NC, Lt. Frances L. Bennett, NC, Lt. Nettie Odneer, NC, Lt. Mary E. Morrison, NC, Lt. Irene G. Cook, NC, Lt. (jg) Gertrude Flanagan, NC, Lt. (jg) Velma I. Carmack, NC, Lt. (jg) Edith E. Bouchard, NC, Hospital Corpsmen 3rd Class Jackie Carter, Joseph L. Clark, Audrey David, William H. Fellerhoff, Edward B. Hackley, Howard S. McIntosh, Harold E. Sherwood, James R. Stingily, Richard L. Thornburg, Richard L. Wentworth, John N. Whitehead, Hospitalmen Conrad P. Carroll, Gerald G. Comfort, Robert I. Goodenough, Donald A. Knudsen, Duane H. Laude, Herbert Parliament, and Hospital Apprentices Richard G. Bate, Kenneth R. Boyette, Robert I. Gibson, Robert C. Hoffman, Davey L. Hughes, Glen B. Hunt and Dean E. Kreger.

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Col. H. H. Twitchell, commanding officer at Tripler, and Capt. Tayloe, along with the members of the Tripler and Aiea staffs, have worked in closest coordination to make the transfer a smooth one.

A total of 10 Navy medical officers, approximately 35 Navy nurses, and from 120 to 125 Navy enlisted men are expected to come to Tripler when the transfer is complete.

Total number of additional patients is expected to be upward of 300.

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With the arrival of the Aiea personnel and patients at Tripler, this hospital becomes in fact the Armed Forces hospital for the Hawaiian area, serving personnel and dependents of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. In addition, it cares for Island veterans and for patients of the US Public Health Service.

KTGH To Air Special Navy Welcome Show

KTGH, the hospital radio station, will present a nine-hour "Hello, Navy!" program beginning at 1300 Tuesday, 10 May.

Some of the highlights include a one-hour Command Performance Broadcast in which Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra, Bob Hope, Dinah Shore, Jimmy Durante and Frank Morgan perform.

Schedule For Out Patient Clinics

All patients will at all times report to the Main Control Desk of the Out Patient Clinic, unless otherwise instructed. In the instances below, where examination or tests are performed by appointment only, the patient must first have been seen by a medical officer and upon his recommendation an appointment may be made for the Specialty Clinic.

1. **GENERAL OUT PATIENT CLINIC:** Tel.: 12116 - 8110 **HOURS**
   Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 0800-1130
2. **ALLERGY:** (No appointment)
   Tuesday (New Patients) 1430-1600
   Thursday (Old Patients) 1430-1600
   Friday (Old Patients) 1430-1600
3. **DERMATOLOGY** (No appointment)
   Monday 1300-1600
   Saturday 0830-1130
   V. D. CLINIC
   Thursday 1300-1600
4. **DENTAL CLINIC:** Tel.: 8183
   Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat. (Unit C, 6th Floor) 0800-1200
5. **BASAL METABOLISM AND ELECTROCARDIOGRAM TESTS:** Tel.: 12107 (By appointment only)
   Note: BMR patients will enter hospital the night before test.
6. **EENT CLINIC:** Tel.: 8105 - 8155
   Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. (Unit B, 6th Floor) 1300-1600
7. **GYNECOLOGY:** Tel.: 12189 (By appointment only)
   Monday and Friday 1300-1600
   Saturday (Rubin Tests only) 0800-1200
8. **NEUROPSYCHIATRIC CLINIC:** Tel.: 13115
   Friday (By appointment only) 1300-1500
9. **OBSTETRICS:** (By appointment only)
   Prenatal Tel.: 13293
   Tuesday 1300-1600
   Thursday 0830-1130
   Postpartum Tel.: 12189
   Monday 1300-1600
   Friday 0830-1130
   First OB visit Friday Tel.: 13293 0830-1130
10. **ORTHOPEDIC CLINIC:** Tel.: 12282
    Monday and Friday (EM and CIV) (No appointment) 0830-1030
    Tues., and Thurs. (Off and Dep) (By appointment only) 1300-1500
11. **PEDIATRICS** Tel.: 13289
    Monday., Tuesday, Friday 1300-1500
12. **SURGICAL CLINIC:** Tel.: 12212
    Tuesday, 3rd Floor, Unit A 0800-1200
    Includes: Varicose veins, septic surgery, proctology, neurosurgery, general surgery.
13. **UROLOGY CLINIC:** Tel.: 8240 - 8128
    Tuesday and Thursday 1330-1500
    Floor B-3, Unit D, Room B328.
14. **PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:** Tel.: 12124 (By appointment only
    Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri. 1230-1630

EMERGENCY CASES WILL BE SEEN AT ALL TIMES

Tripler Red Cross Data

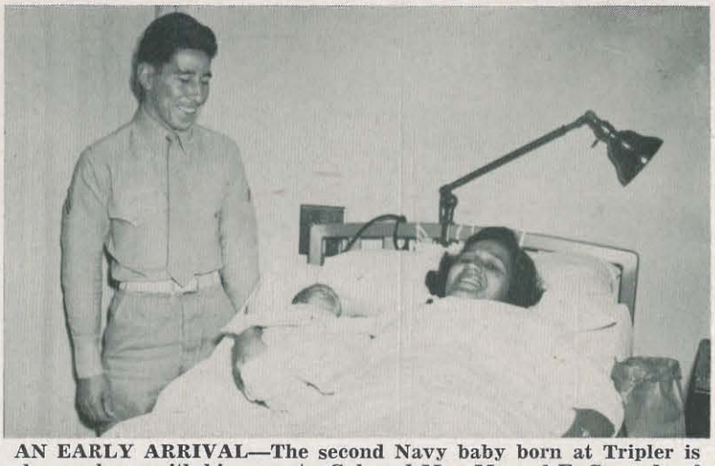
Tripler's Red Cross social service department is located on Floor 1, B Section, Room 191. The recreation area (until the completion of the Patients' Recreation Building now under construction) is located in Ward 31, Floor 2, D Unit.

Included in the services of the American Red Cross at Tripler General Hospital is case work service for **all** patients in the hospital regardless of their classification, and for all duty personnel. The following specific types of service are provided:

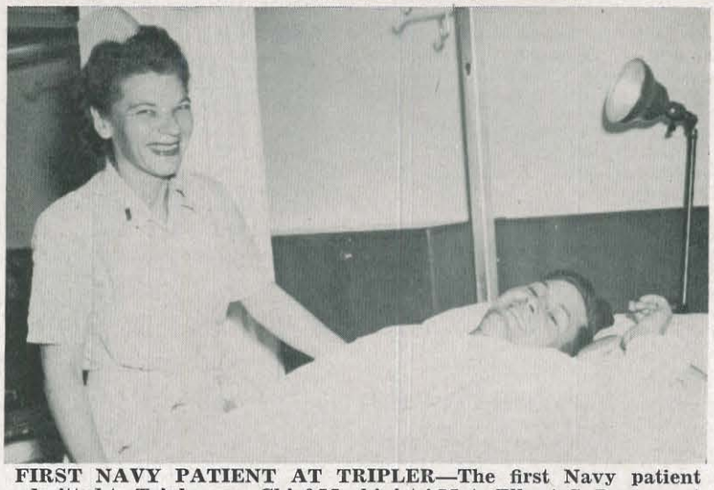
1. **Financial assistance to Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine and Coast Guard personnel and their dependents, and also to veterans, on an individual basis to meet emergencies. This assistance is also available to armed forces personnel assigned to this hospital.**
2. **Emergency furlough investigations for military patients and duty personnel and referral to proper authorities for decision.**
3. **Health and welfare reports for patients, duty personnel and families of such through chapter nurses.**
4. **Medical information is secured with permission of patient to assist doctor in completing diagnosis and planning treatment.**
5. **Assistance to relatives of seriously ill patients.**
6. **Distribution of comfort articles on an individual basis.**
7. **Post discharge planning:**
   a. **Explanation of and help in filing claims for government benefits.**
   b. **Referral to other agencies for needed follow - up care.**
   c. **Assistance in planning vocational rehabilitation or guidance.**
8. **Incidental services: Sending of telegrams, shopping for patients, tracing mail, and similar assistances.**

The American Red Cross staff at TGH provides medically approved recreation for all patients in the hospital. This includes:

1. **Recreation on the wards for groups or individual patients.**
2. **Recreation in the area established for that purpose: pool, ping-pong, playing of musical instruments, cards, instruction in bridge and dancing.**
3. **Off-post recreation: Tours of the island, wrestling matches, boxing matches, plays, baseball, football and other sports in season.**



AN EARLY ARRIVAL—The second Navy baby born at Tripler is shown above with his parents, Cpl. and Mrs. Manuel F. Granade of 1250 Circle Lane, Honolulu. Their son who weighed 7 pounds 10½ ounces at birth, arrived at 0251 on 2 May. Cpl. Granade is stationed with Company B of the Marine Police. Mrs. Granado is the former Mathilda Mendez of Hamakuapoko, Maui. (TGH Photo.)



FIRST NAVY PATIENT AT TRIPLER—The first Navy patient admitted to Tripler was Chief Machinists' Mate Elbert G. Davenport of the Destroyer USS Fechtaler. Chief Davenport who is a native of Birmingham, Ala., is shown with ward nurse Lt. Thelma Matthews, of Lawrenceville, Va. The chief who was in and out of Pearl Harbor during the war, now has his family in San Diego. (TGH Photo.)

FIRST NAVY DEPENDENT—The first Navy dependent to receive treatment at Tripler, was Mrs. Virginia A. Atkinson, shown above with ward nurse, Capt. Ellen G. Crigler. Mrs. Atkinson is the wife of M/Sgt Edwin E. Atkinson, US Marine Corps, stationed in the office of the chief of staff of the Fleet Marine Force Pacific. She arrived by air from Portland, Ore., to join her husband, only to be sent to Tripler instead. (TGH Photo.)

We Ran Out Of Room — More Info In Next Edition—The Ed.